## RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES – April 23, 2014 (approved 7/23/14)

ATTENDING: Sheldon Dyer, Don Field, Michael Gerald, Howard Raphaelson

**STAFF:** Jay O'Keefe, Curt Vincente

GUESTS: none

A. Call to Order –S. Dyer called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.

- B. Approval of Minutes D. Field moved and M. Gerald seconded that the minutes from the January 22, 2014 meeting be approved and the motion passed unanimously.
- C. Co-Sponsorship Update C. Vincente explained the request submitted by the Mansfield Little League for a new scoreboard sponsorship sign on Southeast Field B. RAC has already approved this at the last meeting, but the proposal is awaiting Town Council approval.
- D. Old Business C. Vincente gave a brief update on membership, facility usage and discussed current marketing campaigns. M. Gerald suggested providing information packets to UConn Human Resources for any new UConn faculty or staff. This has been done in the past but J. O'Keefe will talk to staff about following up on this opportunity. C. Vincente discussed the status of the Fee Waiver Ordinance review by the Town Council's Ordinance Development and Review Sub-Committee (ODRS) on fee waivers. ODRS will make recommendations to the full Town Council for improvements to the Fee Waiver Ordinance in the near future and a public hearing will be necessary for any changes to the ordinance. H. Raphaelson provided an article on concussions in sports. J. O'Keefe noted that staff is looking into community wide baseline screening for kids in youth sports, much like the high schools now do for their athletes.
- E. Correspondence None
- F. New Business C. Vincente briefly reviewed the winter quarterly report. J. O'Keefe gave a brief update on winter programs and reviewed ongoing spring programs. J. O'Keefe also noted the emergence of the new lacrosse program. C. Vincente discussed the Parks and Recreation Fund budget for the 2014-15 fiscal year and the upcoming Annual Town Meeting on the Budget.

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:21pm.